

The Sheriff of Somerset for the Jurors for his Lordship the Right Honourable the Lord Bishop that now is for the County of Somerset
Molates } County upon their Oath Present that Molates late of Steyning Parish in the County of Spinket on the first day
of May Anno Domini thousand seven hundred and sixty at the Parish of in the County of did Commit Fornication
with a certain Negro Slave to the Jurors unknown and did permit the same unknown Negro Slave then and there to have
Carnal Knowledge of her Body and a Bastard Child on the Body of her the said Molates then and there to beget to the high
Displeasure of Almighty God to the evil example of all Others in such Case Offending Contrary to the peace of
the said Lord Bishop that now is his Good Rule and Government and Against the form of the Act of Parliament in
such Case made and Provided &c

Thereupon it is Comanded the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take the said Molates late of Steyning Parish
and now with a Court of his Lordship held at Bishops Cleeve Anno Domini the third Tuesday of June Anno Domini thousand
seven hundred and sixty One before the Justice thereof Case the said Molates late in her proper person and had a hearing
of the said Court of his Lordship that she is Guilty of the Premises in the said Act of Parliament
upon her Jurors in Manner and form as by the said Act of Parliament is therein expressed

Whereupon all and singular the Premises being seen and by the Court fully understood it is Considered by
the Court here that for as much as there is due to the County of Somerset seven Years Service from such persons as
are Guilty of Indictable Felony &c And likewise that such Yfe beget by such Felony &c become a servant
until it arrive at the Age of Thirty One Years according to Act of Parliament in such Case Provided &c
That the said Molates late become a servant for seven Years for such Felony &c and that since the Yfe of the
said Molates late beget by the Felony &c become a servant until it arrive at the Age of thirty One Years

Whereupon it is Ordered by the Court that the Sheriff be to John Dennis Esq. immediately sell the said
Molates late for the term of seven Years and to have the Yfe of the said Molates late beget by the Felony &c for the term of
thirty One Years from the time of her Birth to the highest Bidder &c And afterwards in the same Court Case
the said Sheriff and returned that he by virtue of the said Act of Parliament had sold the said Molates late for the term of seven Years
and to have the Yfe of the said Molates late for the term of thirty One Years to Thomas Collins for the Quantity of three thousand four hundred pounds of Tobacco being the highest
Bidder &c

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Molates Belinde } County upon their Oath Present that Molates Belinde late of Steyning Parish in the County of Spinket
on the first day of June in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty at the Parish of in the County of did
Commit Fornication with a certain Molates Slave to the Jurors unknown and did permit the same unknown Negro Slave
to have Carnal Knowledge of her Body and a Bastard Child on the Body of her the said Molates late then and there to beget
to the high Displeasure of Almighty God to the evil example of all Others in such Case Offending Contrary to the peace
of the said Lord Bishop that now is his Good Rule and Government and Against the form of the Act of Parliament in such
Case made and Provided &c

Thereupon it is Comanded the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take the said Molates Belinde of
St. Andrew &c - And now with a Court of his Lordship held at Bishops Cleeve Anno Domini the third Tuesday of June
Anno Domini thousand seven hundred and sixty One before the Justice thereof Case the said Molates Belinde late in her
proper person and had a hearing of the said Court of his Lordship that she is Guilty of the Premises in the said Act of Parliament
upon her Jurors in Manner and form as by the said Act of Parliament is therein expressed

Whereupon all and singular the Premises being seen and by the Court fully understood it is Considered by the Court here
that for as much as there is due to the County of Somerset seven Years Service from such persons as are Guilty of Indictable
Felony &c And likewise that such Yfe beget by such Felony &c become a servant until it arrive at the Age of
thirty One Years according to Act of Parliament in such Case Provided &c That the said Molates Belinde late become a servant for seven
Years for such Felony &c and that since the Yfe of the said Molates Belinde late beget by the Felony &c become a servant until
it arrive at the Age of thirty One Years - Whereupon it is Ordered by the Court that the Sheriff be to John Dennis
Esq. immediately sell the said Molates Belinde late for the term of seven Years and to have the Yfe of the said Molates Belinde late
beget by the Felony &c for the term of thirty One Years to the highest Bidder &c And afterwards in the same Court Case the said Sheriff and returned
that he by virtue of the said Act of Parliament had sold the said Molates Belinde late for the term of seven Years and to have the Yfe of the said Molates
late for the term of thirty One Years to Joseph Collins for the Quantity of five thousand Nine hundred pounds of Tobacco being the
highest Bidder &c W. Venable undertakes and becomes Security for the said Joseph Collins for the Payment of the said

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